

Senate Resolution 944

By: Senators Pearson of the 51st, Harp of the 29th and Sims of the 12th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing March 24, 2010, as Intercranial Hypertension Day at the state capitol; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the literal translation of intercranial hypertension is high fluid pressure within
4 the skull; and

5 WHEREAS, cerebrospinal fluid, along with the blood supply from arteries and veins of the
6 vasculature, is a major component inside the skull required for brain function; and

7 WHEREAS, cerebrospinal fluid cushions the brain, transports nutrients to brain tissue, and
8 carries waste away from the brain; and

9 WHEREAS, cerebrospinal fluid is produced at a site within the brain called the choroid
10 plexus; and

11 WHEREAS, when the body cannot effectively absorb or drain cerebrospinal fluid,
12 intracranial pressure increases; and

13 WHEREAS, because the skull is made of bone and cannot expand, an increase in pressure
14 from cerebrospinal fluid accumulation results in a decrease in blood flow; and

15 WHEREAS, intercranial hypertension is a rare disease, and someone with intercranial
16 hypertension often does not appear sick, because symptoms of the disease occur internally
17 rather than externally; and

18 WHEREAS, another challenge in diagnosing intercranial hypertension is that indications of
19 its presence can be variable, with symptoms appearing in waves, and may include sudden
20 changes in behavior or capabilities due to fluctuations in intracranial pressure; and

21 WHEREAS, in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against intercranial
22 hypertension, March 24, 2010, is recognized as Intercranial Hypertension Day at the state
23 capitol.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
25 recognize March 24, 2010, as Intercranial Hypertension Day at the state capitol and urge all
26 citizens to educate themselves on this rare and life changing disease.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
28 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to members of the public and the press.